Reviewer's report

**Title:** Laugh Syncope as a rare subtype of the situational syncopes: a case report

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**Reviewer:** Ling-Ping Lai

I am familiar with the literature and believe that this case meets one of the 9 criteria for evaluation in the journal: Findings that shed new light on the possible pathogenesis of a disease or an adverse effect

**Has the case been reported coherently?:** Yes

**Is the case report authentic?:** Yes

**Is this case worth reporting?:** Yes

**Is the case report persuasive?:** Yes

**Does the case report have explanatory value?:** Yes

**Does the case report have diagnostic value?:** Yes

**Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?:** Yes

**Is the anonymity of the patient protected?:** Yes

**Comments to authors:**

The authors present an interesting case with laughter-induced syncope. The manuscript is well-written and the description of medical history is vivid. The etiology of syncope is sometimes unavailable despite that many medical examinations are available. Careful history taking is sometimes the most important clue to a correct diagnosis. This case report is not only interesting but also educative. A publication is highly recommended.

**What next?:** Accept

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable